

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty and concern for one's fellow man; and,

WHEREAS, On May 18, 1910, Vera Wickersham Hand was born in Iowa and her family moved to four miles west of Provo, South Dakota, nine months later; and,

WHEREAS, Vera graduated from Edgemont High School in 1931 and apprenticed as a beauty operator until she received her license in 1933; and,

WHEREAS, Vera has kept this license current since 1931 and has owned the Bon-Ton Beauty Shop since 1953; and,

WHEREAS, Vera has devoted her life to the betterment of her community, the caring and sharing with family and friends and the day-to-day giving and loving which make South Dakota a great state in which to live and work; and,

WHEREAS, Vera married Harold "Bud" Hand and they had two sons, Jack and Tom, and one daughter, Judy; and,

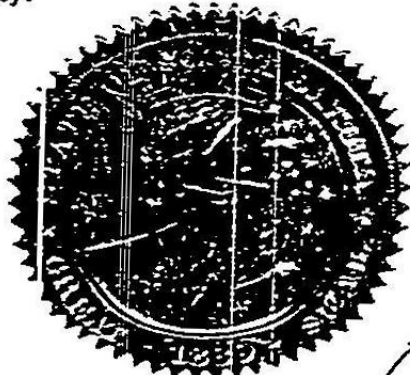
WHEREAS, Vera holds the state record for having an active beauty shop operator's license longer than anyone else in the state of South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, On October 27, Vera will be closing the Bon-Ton Beauty Shop and "hanging up her scissors for the last time";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 20, 1989, as

VERA HAND DAY

in South Dakota, and I join her many friends, relatives, clients and acquaintances in thanking her for more than fifty years of service to the community.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeenth Day of October, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Nine

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Joyce Hazeltine
JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE